

Resolutions of the Ohio State Conference

WHEREAS, we have been permitted to enjoy many great and rich blessings from the divine hand of our Heavenly Father in the year that has just past, and having been permitted to enjoy another Conference session to our great pleasure and, we trust, profit, be it

Resolved, That we tender to the brethren and friends of Pleasant Hill our sincere and heartfelt thanks for the brotherly kindness and Christian courtesy they have manifested in their unbounded and open-handed hospitality; and to the chairman for the wise, efficient, and impartial manner in which he discharged the duties devolving upon him; and to the secretary for the services rendered during the session of this Conference; and to Brother Hall for the inspiring and soul-stirring music; and to all others that have rendered assistance in any way to the success of this Conference; and be it

Resolved, That we hereby do each of us pledge ourselves, by the help of our Heavenly Father, to greater efforts for the abolishment of vice and intemperance, and to the building up of those principles and virtues that will advance the cause of Christ, our Master, and glorify the name of Almighty God.

ISAAC ROSS,
WM. KIEFER,
SAMUEL KIEHL.

Bryan, Ohio

For some time we have been silent in the columns of the EVANGELIST, but this does not signify that we are all dead. While some are in a state of spiritual apathy not all are so, for we have some people whose equal is hard to find.

BRYAN

At this place we have forty-six members enrolled, some are not active, some do not live here, the balance bear the burden. Our church building is well located on Main street near public square, but we have thirteen organizations in Bryan, and there is considerable opposition and some jealousy existing. These with the past misconduct of some tramp preachers are against a speedy progress in this place. But notwithstanding these things the year has been profitably spent. Souls have been quickened, and we have been able to reach out and help others. We give God the glory for all we have been able to do and trust the spirit may unite us all in one body that we may be able to do more good in the coming year. Our hearts go out in gratitude to those who have been so mindful of their pastor's temporal needs. There has been about \$77 donated to us in various ways in eleven months' time. May God bless them with eternal life for these deeds of kindness. I will remain with them another year.

BETHESDA

Tho many have never heard of this class of people, the fact remains that they are among the most wide awake people in the Brethren church. This congregation con-

sists of near fifty members, but as at Bryan, some are inactive and others live some distance from the church, but in all we have here among the best and most intelligent people of the neighborhood, ready to do what their hands find to do—could have been more useful had they been urged a little more in the past. We had a very interesting meeting here some time ago with communion on Saturday June 4th. This people have two church houses and their field of labor is somewhat extended. There is a bright future before this church. We took charge of the work here April 1st. Brother D. M. Rittenhouse had charge of them before. Brethren pray for us that we may be used of God for good the coming year.

Fraternally,
W. A. WELTY.

Arritts, Va.

We preached nine sermons at the Simon's school-house about eight miles from here with nine added to the fold as the immediate result. Four by baptism, one yet to be baptized and four by relation from the G. B's. This is a new field but bids fair to be a productive one. The nights being short and the season extremely busy, the meeting will close for the present. We believe in the near future that others will be added at this place. We desire the prayers of God's children that more laborers may be raised up for this field.

J. S. BOWMAN.

Notes From Zed H. Copp
CONFERENCE

We made and renewed many pleasant and appreciated acquaintances whom we hope to know yet more intimately. The delegates were enthusiastic, the attendance large and the whole body seemed moved by the mind of Christ. If the church in Ohio will work to the plan of this year's sessions it will prove to have been one of the most momentous since our organization, and the work will be mighty and far reaching for Christ and the church.

We found Pleasant Hill to be very pleasantly situated, and we have most pleasant

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recollections of its pleasant people and their pleasant entertainment, the pleasant conference and its pleasant association, and chiefest and most prized of all, the pleasure of the Lord upon us all.

WEST ALEXANDRIA

By invitation to assist the Brethren in celebrating the Lord's Supper, we arrived there Saturday, the 11th. We were cordially received and most hospitably entertained. Four received the rite of apostolic baptism and were added to the church Saturday afternoon. At night a glorious season of holy communion was enjoyed by those present. Upon invitation, after the service Sunday morning, one made confession and will be baptized in two weeks. The West Alexandria church has *more than a name* to live. It seems evergreen and to bring forth fruit in its season. May they continue in well doing.

BEAR CREEK

The Children's Day exercises were spiritually rich and intellectually beneficial, ably rendered and witnessed by a packed house, many even not getting in for want of standing room. In this affair, superior management, efficient help and competent talent combined to success. We are humbly proud of the Bear Creek Sunday-school.

Sisters William Reynolds and Milford Eby are not only consecrated and willing workers for the Master, but they are housewives of a high order, to which we (the family) can attest, for in their passing down 3rd Street they left basketsful of the cherished necessities of this life. The Lord bless them in all things.

Our Dead

KEIM.—Mrs. Lydia Keim was born May 27, 1810 in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, near the village of Shanesville. Her maiden name was Domer, she was the oldest of the family of five children. She experienced some of the hardships of the pioneer settlers of this state in building up a house in the dense forests of eastern Ohio when the wild Indians were roaming over the hills and valleys and engaged in hunting and fishing. She is said to be one of the first white children born in the country.

She was united in marriage with Moses Keim in March 1834. They took up their residence on a farm in Homes County, near New Bedford, from there they moved to Tuscarawas County, near Bolivar and from there to Stark County, east of Canton where they lived some years on a farm, and from there to the village of Louisville. Here is where her husband died in 1884 being 75 years of age. She lived in widowhood since then with her children.

Her church relations were with the German Baptist Brethren since 1835 and until the church division came she cast her lot with the Progressive Brethren church and continued a faithful and earnest member until her death. She was the mother of six children, five sons and one daughter. The second of her sons named George met with an accident in which he lost his life when only seven years old. The rest all survive her. On the twenty-seventh of May of this year she celebrated her 88th birthday anniversary with some of the children and grand chil-